generally functioning satisfactorily. However, there have been instances of interruption in the transmission from this transmitter on account of power supply failure and other technical/faults. Whereas temporary in. terruptions in the transmission occur each time the source of supply is shifted from the mains to the diesel generator and vice-versa, technical faults in the transmitter equipment are attended to promptly to ensure normal functioning.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Dibrugarh Radio Station

4744. SHRI BHADRESWAR BUR AGOHAIN: Will the Minister of IN FORMATION AND BROADCAST ING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to upgrade the present Dibrugarh Radio Station;

(b) if so by when it is likely to be completed; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) to (c) The present AIR transmitter at Dibrugarh was upgraded from 100 KW to 300 KW and commissioned in 1988. Since the maximum power assigned to Dibrugarh Transmitter under International regulations is only 300 KW there is no scope for further upgradation of its power.

List of Publications and Maganinas Maintained by Registrar of Newspapers.

4745. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

SHRI MENTAY PADMANA-BHAM:

Will the Minister of INFORMA TION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Registrar of News-563 RS—9.

I papers in India maintains any list of publications and magazines published from various States; and

(b) if so what are the names with addresses and the language of small and medium publications published from Andhra Pradesh?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The information is given in the Annexure. [See Appendix CLX-IV, ANNEXURES No. 84]

Communication System in Hill Districts of U.P.

4746. SHRI P. UPENDRA:.Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING b_e pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is an acute deficiency of communication system in the hill districts of Nainital and Almora in U.P.;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken in this regard; and

(c) what are the names of places in Kumaon Region of U.P. where Government propose to instal T. V. towers during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRI JA VYAS): (a) to (c) There is no acute deficiency of media communi cation system in the hill districts of Nainital and Almora in U.P. as far as activities of Directorate of Field Pub licity and Song & Drama Division and also Radio coverage are concerned. There is, however, limited TV coverage in these two hill districts. A very Low Power transmitter at Chaukhutia in Almora district, a Low Power TV tansmitter at Champawat and a Very Low Power TV Transmitter at Ddihat in Pithoragarh districts are

under implementation. Additional locations for the establishment of TV transmitters under the Vill Plan have not been finalised.

Sale of *TV* and CPC productions to Foreign Television

4747. SHRI M. A. BABY; Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND 40ROADCASTING be please,} to sfcate:

(a) whether it is a fact that the T. V. productions mad$_e$ by different Doordarshan Kendras and the Central Production Centre (CPC) have been sold to foreign televisions and

(b) if so the details thereof including the foreign exchange earned and the share of each Doordarshan Kendra and the CPC in it during the last three years?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARi GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The marketing activity of Door darshan is Centralised in the Headquarters. The Kendras and th$_e$ CPC do hot have any share in the sale proceeds. The details of foreign ex-change earned by Doordar shan during the last three years are ag under:—

1989-90 . .	60,197	US $
1990-91 . .	1,88,758	US $
	1,15,295	FF
	1,500	UK Pound S t.
1991-92 . .	1,94,821	US $
	1,000	Canadian$

Setting up of high Quality T. V. prog-rainme production centres

4748. SHRI M. *A.* BABY: Will the Mihister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps hav$_e$ been contemplated by the Government to improve the variety and quality of productions and programme in the Door-darshan, considering the gyave threat posed by the Star T.V.;

Ob) if so, the details regarding such proposals; and

(c) whether GovemmefatJ propose to consider setting up of high quality TV Programme Production centres like the Central Production Centre in other metropolitan cities;

THE' DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARi GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b) Doordarshan is making all out efforts to bring about a. qualitative improvement in its programme format so as to sustain the interest of its viewers.

(c) There is no such proposal at present.

Scandal *in* Educational Broadcast of AIR Vijayawada

4743. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news report which appeared in the Andhra Jyoti, a Telugu Daily dated 11th April, 1902;

(b) if so, whether any scandal in the educational broadcasts of A.I.R., Vijaywada, has recently been bro ught to the notice of Government; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been ta ken in this regard;

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARi GIRIJA VYAS): (a> to (e) It had been reported in the press that All India Radio Viyayawada was booking inexperienced persons} non professionals! members ^{of} all the same family Education Broadcast. One Assistant